

House Resolution 1247

By: Representatives Lindsey of the 54th and Coan of the 101st

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joe David Jackson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Joe David Jackson in November, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson was a graduate of the University of Georgia and Mercer Law
5 School and served for several years as associate general counsel to the State Bar of Georgia;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, known for his legal reasoning and sharp analytical skills, Mr. Jackson served
8 as an Administrative Law Judge for the State Board of Workers' Compensation and, in 1992,
9 joined the law firm of Goodman McGuffey Lindsey & Johnson, LLP as a partner; and

10 WHEREAS, he was known as a clear thinker and hard worker, as a man whose strong
11 convictions were supported by meticulous research and careful consideration, and as an
12 equitable, impartial leader whose decisions were governed by the rules of honesty and fair
13 play; and

14 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Jackson was an active member of Cannon
15 United Methodist Church, where he taught Sunday school and assisted in the church's
16 production of its Passion Play and the Walk to Emmaus; and

17 WHEREAS, his sense of humor brightened the lives of his friends and coworkers, with
18 legendary practical jokes and holiday gag gifts; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Jackson was united in love and marriage to his adoring wife, Margaret, and
20 was blessed with the love of three children, Maggie, Laura, and Charlie; and

21 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
23 made this world a better place in which to live; and

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Jackson will long be remembered for
25 his love of the University of Georgia Bulldogs, family, and friendship, and this loyal
26 husband, father, neighbor, and friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
27 knowing him.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Joe David Jackson and
30 express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Joe David
33 Jackson.